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LEE'S SUMMIT MAN SENTENCED IN METH CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Lee's Summit man was sentenced today for his role in a conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine at a Blue Springs residence and elsewhere.

Daniel W. Marx, 32, of Lee's Summit, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Nanette K. Laughrey this morning to 19 years and seven months in prison without parole.

On April, 2002, **Marx** pleaded guilty to a federal indictment that charged him with conspiracy to manufacture and distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between March 25, 2001 and January 15, 2002.

Today's sentencing hearing, Graves added, revealed that **Marx** had stolen Actifed and other cold remedy products containing pseudoephedrine and gave them to methamphetamine cooks. Those cooks, in turn, manufactured significant amounts of methamphetamine, Graves said. Today's testimony also revealed that **Marx** manufactured methamphetamine in Eastern Jackson County on numerous occasions during 2001.

Three co-defendants have also pleaded guilty to their role in the conspiracy. Awaiting sentencing are **Charles M. Morrison, Jr.**, 33, of Oak Grove, **Brad E. Aliff**, 32, of Blue Springs, and **Michael W. Case**, 32, of Blue Springs

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark A. Miller. It was investigated by the Jackson County Drug Task Force and the Blue Springs Police Department.

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